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USEEC USMTN PASS STARKEY IN GENEVA

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SUBJECT: RECLASSIFICATION OF POULTRY PRODUCTS

REFS: (A) BRUSSELS 11962 (B) STATE 149951

1. AS MISSION NOTED TO DE PASCALE (REF A) WE VIEW
PROPOSAL FOR RECLASSIFICATION OF POULTRY PRODUCTS AS
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HIGHLY SENSITIVE ISSUE. OUR POSITION REMAINS AS
OUTLINED IN REF. B AND WE CONTINUE TO OPPOSE SUCH A
RECLASSIFICATION. THUS, WE CANNOT ACCEPT DE PASCALE
PROPOSED MODIFICATION. WE DO NOT SEE ANY RATIONALE FOR
CHANGING THE CURRENT CLASSIFICATION OF SEASONED POULTRY
IN BTN 16.02. IF A CHANGE IS CONTEMPLATED WE WOULD
INSIST THAT THE CURRENT DUTY TREATMENT PROVIDED TO THIS

PRODUCT UNDER 16.02 BE RETAINED (IE. BOUND RATE OF 17 PERCENT.)

2. MISSION SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT ANY CHANGE IN THE CXT THAT HAS THE EFFECT OF REDUCING U.S. ACCESS TO THE EC POULTRY MARKET COULD SERIOUSLY UNDERMINE US/EC EFFORTS IN THE MTN TO ACHIEVE A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION TO THE CHICKEN WAR. (FYI: WE HAVE DEFINED A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION AS ONE WHICH INCLUDES A LEVY-FREE QUOTA FOR

UNCOOKED TURKEY MEAT STARTING AT 15,000 TONS PER YEAR AND INCREASING AT 5 PERCENT PER YEAR; ELIMINATION OF THE SUPPLEMENTARY LEVY ON IMPORTS IN EXCESS OF QUOTA; CURTAILMENT OF THE EXPORT SUBSIDY ON POULTRY EXPORTS TO THE MIDDLE EAST; AND ELIMINATION OF OTHER EXPORT SUBSIDIES OUTSIDE WESTERN EUROPE.) AN UNFAVORABLE 16.02 DECISION BY THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ON JULY 11 WOULD BE FOLLOWED BY INDUSTRY DEMANDS FOR IMMEDIATE U.S. RETALIATION. MOREOVER, THE U.S. WOULD BE REQUIRED TO TAKE ACTION TO DEFEND OUR RIGHTS UNDER THE GATT. VANCE

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